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MINUTES OF MEETING

11 June 1951

PRESENT:

[redacted], Consultant

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[redacted], M&S

[redacted], OSI

1. [redacted] outlined his plans for the first meetings of the Panel after it is fully constituted. The first meeting will constitute a detailed briefing with the members of the CIA Group present. This briefing would be conducted largely by [redacted] and if desirable, service representatives such as [redacted] who could make a significant contribution. The second meeting would take place about a week later. At that time, the Panel would meet with no more than the CIA Group present and would develop suitable terms of reference, that is a clear understanding to themselves as to the exact meaning of terms and an understanding of the problem itself. The third meeting might necessarily take place sometime after the second. During the interval the Panel members would have studied the problem and would at this meeting attempt to agree upon specific lines of research. In view of the need of the field for answers to specific problems with minimum delay, it may be necessary to develop short term projects at the same time that the long term project in fundamental research is being carried on. The Group agreed with [redacted] in his approach and urged him to organize the Panel with minimum delay. He stated that all the people who he wanted in the initial group were cleared with the exception of [redacted]. [redacted] said he would report on [redacted] clearance as soon as possible. It is desired to hold the first meeting of the Panel sometime during the week of June 17th at the latest.

2. The question of [redacted] acting as an Advisor to the Panel was again discussed. [redacted] said that for the time being it would be desirable to proceed without [redacted]'s assistance. Should his help be essential in a specific problem at a later date, approaching him will be considered at that time.

3. The memo entitled "Organization of a Special Defense Interrogation Program" as revised by the meeting of June 8th was discussed and accepted as a current outline of the general project.

4. [redacted] urged having a meeting of the [redacted] representatives this week if possible.

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The meeting with the [redacted] representatives will of necessity be delayed until sometime around July 1. The [redacted] representative is to be one of two persons both of whom are out of town until the end of the month. [redacted] does not wish to designate a new representative except in the case of an emergency.

The [redacted] designee, [redacted] has not had an opportunity to become familiar with this material and probably could not do so during the balance of this week. These facts were brought to the attention of [redacted] who agreed to the postponement of the meeting until the end of the month.

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